

Weymouth. Sept 5. 1849

Dear Mr May,

I received your letter, & take the first opportunity to make response.

Deborah & Lucia will come in town next week & arrange the boxes for Worcester. All the "plunder" we have (to use a Western phrase) will be carried to Worcester, but of course we shall wish to take it in as small a compass as possible, & then for some repacking will be requisite. They will come to Boston any day after Monday, but our engagements are such that I cannot name the particular day. I should like very much to come myself, but am not yet quite well enough, though my health has improved very much. The sail cloth says, & all the muniments of war are at the office I suppose. My sister will ^{plan} arrange with you now vice all the Worcester arrangements, about which you may wish to consult them.

I think with you that it would be a great pity to withdraw Douglass's life from its proper sphere. Two dozen copies might, I should think be sent to the Boston Fair with advantage, but no more. A little exertion might certainly dispose of

the French edition on the spot. I wish we had known of this before the sitting of the Peace Convention in Paris, as I should think that on that occasion a great number might be disposed of, that is supposing some 'philanthrope' would enact the parts of Charles Barclay. I will write to Mrs Chapman respecting this, & I doubt not she will take suitable action and try to make some arrangement by which they may be sold.

You will be glad to hear that we had voluminous letters by the last steamer from Caroline & Emma & that they were all in perfect health and enjoying every moment of their time. They were living at Versailles for 3 months at house keeping which was very agreeable as they could entertain their guests of their own. The Ashursts had been to see them & given £5 for the Fair. Our unbelieving Map Bourne will leave with joy that at last the Abdy Legation is paid, that is Mrs Chapman has received a notification that the money will be paid over to Baring's, as soon as she has gone through the preliminary form of being identified as the veritable M. W. Chapman before Lord Normanby the English minister. A bad cold had prevented her going to Paris for this purpose, but as soon as it was prudent

she will attend to it. I am glad it is on its way
for when we were arguing the Standard matter
last spring, you may remember that some of
the brethren seemed to consider the whole business
of the legacy as a sort of myth. - Garrison & F.
Jackson drank tea with us the other night, & the
former was in such uproarious spirits about the
Father Mathew business that it was really amusing.
Mr Jackson, I had the perfect satisfaction of seeing,
was feeling quite union friendly about the be-
haviour of Eliza Wright in the premises. You
know he has always taken that vile little
Chronotype. I was generous & did not say as I might
"I hope you see now why Mrs Chapman would
never give him one grain of countenance, even so
much as publishing our Irish advertisement in his
paper." - I am glad he has shown his hand so
plainly, as I trust well meaning abolitionists,
who have been bewildered into taking the paper
will drop it upon this.

Poor Mrs Gannett's death will grieve Wendell
& Ann Phillips deeply. She was a most excellent
woman & their very devoted friend. I feel very
sorry for her & for them.

My brother Warner has been ill in N. Y. but not
dangerously so, though we were of course very

unknown. My brother Henry went to him at once
but we have the pleasure of hearing that he
is recovering fast.

Give my love to Mrs May & to the
children - I wish you could come down to
Weymouth & see us.

Believe me affectionately yrs

A. W. Weston.